

WQHA Board of Directors Meeting

May 16, 2023

Radisson Hotel and Conference Center - Fond du Lac, Wisconsin

The meeting was called to order at 6:51 pm by President Judy Zeitler. Also in attendance was: Stephanie Hicken, Ron Miller, Jerry Laumer, Danyelle Gabbert-Wiechert, Jim Ramthun, Jean Sandmire, Linda Berg, Nikki Schultz, and Tony Tousey.

Not present: Tim Schmahl, Robert Schmitz, Brenda Lindvall, Kelly Ponce, Krystle Kuhse, Missy Baker, Keri Smith, Amy Bucholtz and Lisa Kroll.

Secretary's Report was sent through email. Jerry Laumer made a motion to accept the secretary's report, and Nikki Schultz second it. Ron read the treasurer's report and stated that he re-upped the MWHF space (2 spaces) at a significantly lower rate. WQHA can say no up to January 1st. Free tickets for 2 people to work the booth each day. You just have to go through will call to get the tickets. Jim discussed that people asked if they could register their ½ Arab. It is nice to have a booth so we can answer these questions and educate people. Jerry Laumer made a motion to accept the treasurer's report and Stephanie Hicken second it.

Awards- 3 turn out sheets were received instead of stable sheets so we had to have those embroidered and we were not expecting those charges. Waiting on final invoice from Pat. Linda Berg asked why there is such a difference from the financial statements in comparison to Nikki's budget spreadsheet. Nikki will talk with Ron to see where the differences are coming from.

Linda Berg would like an updated awards spreadsheet.

Banquet - Danyelle Gabbert - Wiechert is reaching out to other locations to have our annual banquet at for the future. We need to get the date set in stone, either the second or third weekend in January. If you have any suggestions for venues please tell Danyelle Gabbert-Wiechert.

Hall of Fame- Nothing new.

MWHF - Nothing new.

Memberships - \$2,075.00.

New's Letter & Directory- \$10,672. We are down advertisers. We will try to auction the cover's at the state show during the slot classes. Nikki Schultz made a motion to auction cover's at the state show during the slots, and Jerry Laumer second it. 5 people still have not paid. Ron will reach out and speak to Nikki about who hasn't paid.

Open shows - they are getting larger.

State show - Nikki stated that an in person meeting was done. Contract was given at this meeting. Each board member needs to try to bring in \$250.00 in sponsorships. The contract says to rent the grounds it will cost \$37,000.00 - Pavilion 1 & 2 will be used, and there will be a 4th ring in the back of building 2.

Recreational Activities - Nothing new.

Website & email newsletter - Nikki featured first 3 shows in newsletter.

WI Horse Council - Potential to have restructuring in the horse council per Ron.

Youth - next project is the cookout at Paper Valley.

Old Business - N/A

New Business - Awards budget - \$1 fee is going down. We need to be aware of this.

Molly's custom buckle - we won 1 free buckle. Tony Tousey made a motion to use this buckle for the Amateur LL slot class, and Jerry Laumer second it.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:01pm. Stephanie Hicken made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Jerry Laumer second it.